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1. OP-1 (Osrodek Pracy No. 1) is a forced labor camp, whose dimensions are about 600 by 800 meters. The camp is enclosed by barbed wire. It is located in Warsaw-Sluzewiec, directly south of the practice racetrack and directly west of the racetrack and grandstands.
2. The camp is under the administration of the Ministry of Public Security (MBP).
3. OP-1 contains approximately 1,500 forced laborers, mostly Poles serving sentences of up to five years. OP-1 absorbed 700 forced laborers when OP-2 was consolidated with it in late 1953. OP-2 was formerly located in an area along the Vistula river, on the northern side of the city.
4. OP-1 provides the manpower for PMBP, the construction division of the MBP. PMBP is responsible for the construction of all MBP facilities in the Warsaw area (over 50 different installations).
5. OP-3 is located near the Jewish cemetery in the "Gaenze Viertel" of Warsaw. There are between 3,000 and 4,000 forced laborers being held there. These are prisoners who have received sentences over five years. The forced laborers in OP-3 are primarily employed in the manufacture of cement.
6. OP-1 serves also as a staging area for German prisoners of war. In November 1952, there were approximately 80 Germans being held there. there were only 10 Germans being held there.

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7. [] PMBP was commanded by Colonel Goldstein (fnu). The section chiefs were as follows: Zaczynski (fnu), chief of construction; Olaszewski (fnu), assistant chief of construction and the project chief for building No. 500; Kurek (fnu), the assistant project chief for building No. 500; Glincki (fnu), chief of accounting and costs; Malek (fnu), chief of plans.

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8. Building No. 500 was adjacent to OP-1 and was under construction in May 1953. This is a four-story building which is to be the message center for the MBP and will have telephone and cable connections with all the principal cities of Poland.
9. Building No. 267 was also under construction in May 1953. This is a 100-car garage, with maintenance and repair shops, which is intended for the storage and the maintenance of all MBP vehicles in the Warsaw area.
10. The practice racetrack, north and adjacent to OP-1, is used for the underground storage of gasoline supplies for the MBP vehicles.

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